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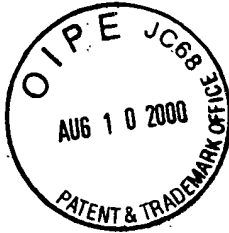
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**Attn: Art Unit 1643**

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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application  
Appl. No. 09/529,659; 102(e) Date: June 22, 2000  
For: **Tumour Vaccine**  
Inventors: Wagner *et al.*  
Our Ref: 0652.2050000/REF/BJD

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Preliminary Amendment; and
2. One (1) return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

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The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

STERNE, KESSLER, GOLDSTEIN & FOX P.L.L.C.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Raz E. Fleshner". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

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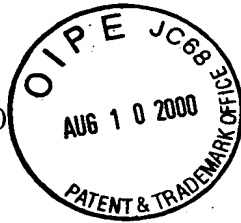
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**Preliminary Amendment**

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Sir:

In advance of prosecution, please amend the application as follows:

***Amendments***

***In the Specification:***

At page 1, after the title, please insert the following sentence:

--This application is a 35 U.S.C. § 371 national stage application of the international application, PCT/EP98/06546, filed October 15, 1998, which claims priority benefit to German application no. 197 46 173.5 filed October 18, 1997, the full disclosure of which is herein incorporated by reference.--

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***In the Claims:***

Please cancel claims 1-14.